

HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT[441]

Adopted and Filed Without Notice

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 234.6, the Department of Human Services amends Chapter 170, "Child Care Services," Iowa Administrative Code.

This amendment updates the Child Care Assistance fee schedule for state fiscal year 2012 based on the federal poverty income guidelines issued in 2011. The Department reviews the fee schedule annually in relation to the poverty income guidelines. A family whose income is below the federal poverty level is not assessed a fee for child care. The increase in the income levels on the fee schedule allows families that have increased income comparable to the increase in the poverty level to maintain eligibility for Child Care Assistance without paying higher fees.

Any fee that is determined before July 1, 2011, will be based on the current fee schedule and will remain in effect until the family's eligibility is redetermined. The new fee schedule will be applied to all new applications as of July 1, 2011, and will be applied to existing cases when the family's eligibility is redetermined. Eligibility is redetermined at the annual recertification and when the family reports a change that affects eligibility, such as the birth of a child.

Approximately three-fourths of the families receiving Child Care Assistance pay no fees, either because of income below the poverty level or because the family is eligible for assistance without regard to income (such as Family Investment Program participants and families receiving protective child care).

This amendment does not provide for waivers in specified situations. Families may request a waiver under the Department's general rule on exceptions at 441—1.8(17A,217).

The Council on Human Services adopted this amendment on April 13, 2011.

The Department finds that notice and public participation on this amendment are unnecessary because this amendment merely applies an expected change due to new federal poverty level guidelines, which are not under the control of the Department. Therefore, this amendment is filed without notice pursuant to Iowa Code section 17A.4(3).

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code section 237A.13.

This amendment shall become effective on July 1, 2011.

The following amendment is adopted.

Amend paragraph **170.4(2)"a"** as follows:

a. Sliding fee schedule.

(1) The fee schedule shown in the following table is effective for eligibility determinations made on or after July 1, ~~2009~~ 2011:

Level	Monthly Income According to Family Size										Unit Fee Based on Number of Children in Care		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	1	2	3 or more
A	\$858	\$1,154	\$1,450	\$1,746	\$2,043	\$2,338	\$2,634	\$2,931	\$3,226	\$3,523	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	\$863	\$1,165	\$1,468	\$1,770	\$2,072	\$2,375	\$2,677	\$2,979	\$3,282	\$3,584			
B	\$903	\$1,215	\$1,526	\$1,838	\$2,150	\$2,464	\$2,773	\$3,085	\$3,396	\$3,708	\$0.20	\$0.45	\$0.70
	\$908	\$1,226	\$1,545	\$1,863	\$2,181	\$2,500	\$2,818	\$3,136	\$3,455	\$3,773			
C	\$928	\$1,249	\$1,569	\$1,889	\$2,210	\$2,530	\$2,851	\$3,171	\$3,491	\$3,812	\$0.45	\$0.70	\$0.95
	\$933	\$1,260	\$1,588	\$1,915	\$2,242	\$2,570	\$2,897	\$3,224	\$3,552	\$3,879			
D	\$954	\$1,283	\$1,611	\$1,941	\$2,270	\$2,599	\$2,928	\$3,258	\$3,586	\$3,916	\$0.70	\$0.95	\$1.20
	\$959	\$1,295	\$1,632	\$1,967	\$2,303	\$2,640	\$2,976	\$3,312	\$3,648	\$3,984			
E	\$980	\$1,319	\$1,657	\$1,995	\$2,334	\$2,672	\$3,010	\$3,349	\$3,687	\$4,025	\$0.95	\$1.20	\$1.45
	\$986	\$1,331	\$1,677	\$2,022	\$2,368	\$2,714	\$3,059	\$3,404	\$3,751	\$4,096			

Level	Monthly Income According to Family Size										Unit Fee Based on Number of Children in Care		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	1	2	3 or more
F	<u>\$1,007</u> <u>\$1,013</u>	<u>\$1,355</u> <u>\$1,367</u>	<u>\$1,702</u> <u>\$1,723</u>	<u>\$2,050</u> <u>\$2,077</u>	<u>\$2,398</u> <u>\$2,432</u>	<u>\$2,744</u> <u>\$2,788</u>	<u>\$3,092</u> <u>\$3,142</u>	<u>\$3,440</u> <u>\$3,497</u>	<u>\$3,787</u> <u>\$3,853</u>	<u>\$4,135</u> <u>\$4,207</u>	\$1.20	\$1.45	\$1.70
G	<u>\$1,035</u> <u>\$1,041</u>	<u>\$1,393</u> <u>\$1,405</u>	<u>\$1,749</u> <u>\$1,771</u>	<u>\$2,107</u> <u>\$2,136</u>	<u>\$2,465</u> <u>\$2,500</u>	<u>\$2,821</u> <u>\$2,866</u>	<u>\$3,179</u> <u>\$3,230</u>	<u>\$3,537</u> <u>\$3,595</u>	<u>\$3,893</u> <u>\$3,961</u>	<u>\$4,251</u> <u>\$4,325</u>	\$1.45	\$1.70	\$1.95
H	<u>\$1,063</u> <u>\$1,069</u>	<u>\$1,431</u> <u>\$1,444</u>	<u>\$1,797</u> <u>\$1,819</u>	<u>\$2,164</u> <u>\$2,194</u>	<u>\$2,532</u> <u>\$2,568</u>	<u>\$2,898</u> <u>\$2,944</u>	<u>\$3,265</u> <u>\$3,318</u>	<u>\$3,633</u> <u>\$3,693</u>	<u>\$3,999</u> <u>\$4,069</u>	<u>\$4,366</u> <u>\$4,443</u>	\$1.70	\$1.95	\$2.20
I	<u>\$1,093</u> <u>\$1,099</u>	<u>\$1,471</u> <u>\$1,484</u>	<u>\$1,847</u> <u>\$1,870</u>	<u>\$2,225</u> <u>\$2,255</u>	<u>\$2,603</u> <u>\$2,640</u>	<u>\$2,979</u> <u>\$3,026</u>	<u>\$3,357</u> <u>\$3,411</u>	<u>\$3,735</u> <u>\$3,796</u>	<u>\$4,111</u> <u>\$4,182</u>	<u>\$4,489</u> <u>\$4,567</u>	\$1.95	\$2.20	\$2.45
J	<u>\$1,123</u> <u>\$1,129</u>	<u>\$1,511</u> <u>\$1,525</u>	<u>\$1,898</u> <u>\$1,921</u>	<u>\$2,286</u> <u>\$2,317</u>	<u>\$2,674</u> <u>\$2,712</u>	<u>\$3,060</u> <u>\$3,109</u>	<u>\$3,448</u> <u>\$3,504</u>	<u>\$3,836</u> <u>\$3,900</u>	<u>\$4,223</u> <u>\$4,296</u>	<u>\$4,611</u> <u>\$4,692</u>	\$2.20	\$2.45	\$2.70
K	<u>\$1,154</u> <u>\$1,161</u>	<u>\$1,553</u> <u>\$1,567</u>	<u>\$1,951</u> <u>\$1,975</u>	<u>\$2,350</u> <u>\$2,382</u>	<u>\$2,748</u> <u>\$2,788</u>	<u>\$3,146</u> <u>\$3,196</u>	<u>\$3,545</u> <u>\$3,602</u>	<u>\$3,944</u> <u>\$4,009</u>	<u>\$4,341</u> <u>\$4,417</u>	<u>\$4,740</u> <u>\$4,823</u>	\$2.45	\$2.70	\$2.95
L	<u>\$1,186</u> <u>\$1,192</u>	<u>\$1,595</u> <u>\$1,610</u>	<u>\$2,004</u> <u>\$2,029</u>	<u>\$2,414</u> <u>\$2,446</u>	<u>\$2,823</u> <u>\$2,864</u>	<u>\$3,232</u> <u>\$3,283</u>	<u>\$3,641</u> <u>\$3,701</u>	<u>\$4,051</u> <u>\$4,118</u>	<u>\$4,460</u> <u>\$4,537</u>	<u>\$4,869</u> <u>\$4,955</u>	\$2.70	\$2.95	\$3.20
M	<u>\$1,219</u> <u>\$1,226</u>	<u>\$1,640</u> <u>\$1,655</u>	<u>\$2,060</u> <u>\$2,086</u>	<u>\$2,481</u> <u>\$2,515</u>	<u>\$2,902</u> <u>\$2,944</u>	<u>\$3,322</u> <u>\$3,375</u>	<u>\$3,743</u> <u>\$3,804</u>	<u>\$4,166</u> <u>\$4,233</u>	<u>\$4,584</u> <u>\$4,664</u>	<u>\$5,006</u> <u>\$5,093</u>	\$2.95	\$3.20	\$3.45
N	<u>\$1,252</u> <u>\$1,259</u>	<u>\$1,685</u> <u>\$1,700</u>	<u>\$2,116</u> <u>\$2,142</u>	<u>\$2,549</u> <u>\$2,583</u>	<u>\$2,981</u> <u>\$3,024</u>	<u>\$3,413</u> <u>\$3,467</u>	<u>\$3,845</u> <u>\$3,908</u>	<u>\$4,278</u> <u>\$4,349</u>	<u>\$4,709</u> <u>\$4,791</u>	<u>\$5,142</u> <u>\$5,232</u>	\$3.20	\$3.45	\$3.70
O	<u>\$1,287</u> <u>\$1,294</u>	<u>\$1,732</u> <u>\$1,748</u>	<u>\$2,175</u> <u>\$2,202</u>	<u>\$2,620</u> <u>\$2,656</u>	<u>\$3,065</u> <u>\$3,109</u>	<u>\$3,508</u> <u>\$3,564</u>	<u>\$3,953</u> <u>\$4,017</u>	<u>\$4,398</u> <u>\$4,470</u>	<u>\$4,841</u> <u>\$4,925</u>	<u>\$5,286</u> <u>\$5,379</u>	\$3.45	\$3.70	\$3.95
P	<u>\$1,322</u> <u>\$1,330</u>	<u>\$1,779</u> <u>\$1,795</u>	<u>\$2,235</u> <u>\$2,262</u>	<u>\$2,691</u> <u>\$2,728</u>	<u>\$3,148</u> <u>\$3,194</u>	<u>\$3,604</u> <u>\$3,661</u>	<u>\$4,061</u> <u>\$4,127</u>	<u>\$4,518</u> <u>\$4,592</u>	<u>\$4,973</u> <u>\$5,059</u>	<u>\$5,430</u> <u>\$5,525</u>	\$3.70	\$3.95	\$4.20
Q	<u>\$1,359</u> <u>\$1,367</u>	<u>\$1,829</u> <u>\$1,846</u>	<u>\$2,297</u> <u>\$2,326</u>	<u>\$2,767</u> <u>\$2,804</u>	<u>\$3,237</u> <u>\$3,283</u>	<u>\$3,705</u> <u>\$3,763</u>	<u>\$4,174</u> <u>\$4,242</u>	<u>\$4,644</u> <u>\$4,721</u>	<u>\$5,112</u> <u>\$5,201</u>	<u>\$5,582</u> <u>\$5,680</u>	\$3.95	\$4.20	\$4.45
R	<u>\$1,396</u> <u>\$1,404</u>	<u>\$1,879</u> <u>\$1,896</u>	<u>\$2,360</u> <u>\$2,389</u>	<u>\$2,842</u> <u>\$2,881</u>	<u>\$3,325</u> <u>\$3,373</u>	<u>\$3,806</u> <u>\$3,866</u>	<u>\$4,288</u> <u>\$4,358</u>	<u>\$4,771</u> <u>\$4,849</u>	<u>\$5,251</u> <u>\$5,343</u>	<u>\$5,734</u> <u>\$5,834</u>	\$4.20	\$4.45	\$4.70
S	<u>\$1,435</u> <u>\$1,443</u>	<u>\$1,931</u> <u>\$1,949</u>	<u>\$2,426</u> <u>\$2,456</u>	<u>\$2,922</u> <u>\$2,962</u>	<u>\$3,418</u> <u>\$3,467</u>	<u>\$3,912</u> <u>\$3,974</u>	<u>\$4,408</u> <u>\$4,480</u>	<u>\$4,904</u> <u>\$4,985</u>	<u>\$5,398</u> <u>\$5,492</u>	<u>\$5,894</u> <u>\$5,998</u>	\$4.45	\$4.70	\$4.95
T	<u>\$1,475</u> <u>\$1,483</u>	<u>\$1,984</u> <u>\$2,002</u>	<u>\$2,492</u> <u>\$2,523</u>	<u>\$3,001</u> <u>\$3,042</u>	<u>\$3,511</u> <u>\$3,561</u>	<u>\$4,019</u> <u>\$4,082</u>	<u>\$4,528</u> <u>\$4,602</u>	<u>\$5,038</u> <u>\$5,121</u>	<u>\$5,546</u> <u>\$5,642</u>	<u>\$6,055</u> <u>\$6,161</u>	\$4.70	\$4.95	\$5.20
U	<u>\$1,516</u> <u>\$1,524</u>	<u>\$2,040</u> <u>\$2,058</u>	<u>\$2,562</u> <u>\$2,594</u>	<u>\$3,085</u> <u>\$3,127</u>	<u>\$3,609</u> <u>\$3,661</u>	<u>\$4,131</u> <u>\$4,197</u>	<u>\$4,655</u> <u>\$4,731</u>	<u>\$5,179</u> <u>\$5,264</u>	<u>\$5,701</u> <u>\$5,800</u>	<u>\$6,225</u> <u>\$6,334</u>	\$4.95	\$5.20	\$5.45
V	<u>\$1,557</u> <u>\$1,566</u>	<u>\$2,095</u> <u>\$2,114</u>	<u>\$2,631</u> <u>\$2,664</u>	<u>\$3,169</u> <u>\$3,213</u>	<u>\$3,707</u> <u>\$3,761</u>	<u>\$4,244</u> <u>\$4,311</u>	<u>\$4,782</u> <u>\$4,859</u>	<u>\$5,320</u> <u>\$5,408</u>	<u>\$5,856</u> <u>\$5,958</u>	<u>\$6,394</u> <u>\$6,506</u>	\$5.20	\$5.45	\$5.70
W	<u>\$1,601</u> <u>\$1,610</u>	<u>\$2,154</u> <u>\$2,173</u>	<u>\$2,705</u> <u>\$2,739</u>	<u>\$3,258</u> <u>\$3,303</u>	<u>\$3,811</u> <u>\$3,866</u>	<u>\$4,363</u> <u>\$4,432</u>	<u>\$4,916</u> <u>\$4,995</u>	<u>\$5,469</u> <u>\$5,559</u>	<u>\$6,020</u> <u>\$6,125</u>	<u>\$6,573</u> <u>\$6,688</u>	\$5.45	\$5.70	\$5.95
X	<u>\$1,644</u> <u>\$1,653</u>	<u>\$2,212</u> <u>\$2,233</u>	<u>\$2,779</u> <u>\$2,813</u>	<u>\$3,347</u> <u>\$3,392</u>	<u>\$3,915</u> <u>\$3,972</u>	<u>\$4,481</u> <u>\$4,552</u>	<u>\$5,050</u> <u>\$5,131</u>	<u>\$5,618</u> <u>\$5,711</u>	<u>\$6,184</u> <u>\$6,291</u>	<u>\$6,752</u> <u>\$6,871</u>	\$5.70	\$5.95	\$6.20
Y	<u>\$1,690</u> <u>\$1,700</u>	<u>\$2,274</u> <u>\$2,295</u>	<u>\$2,857</u> <u>\$2,892</u>	<u>\$3,441</u> <u>\$3,487</u>	<u>\$4,025</u> <u>\$4,083</u>	<u>\$4,607</u> <u>\$4,680</u>	<u>\$5,191</u> <u>\$5,275</u>	<u>\$5,775</u> <u>\$5,870</u>	<u>\$6,357</u> <u>\$6,468</u>	<u>\$6,941</u> <u>\$7,063</u>	\$5.95	\$6.20	\$6.45
Z	<u>\$1,736</u> <u>\$1,746</u>	<u>\$2,336</u> <u>\$2,358</u>	<u>\$2,934</u> <u>\$2,971</u>	<u>\$3,534</u> <u>\$3,582</u>	<u>\$4,134</u> <u>\$4,194</u>	<u>\$4,732</u> <u>\$4,807</u>	<u>\$5,332</u> <u>\$5,419</u>	<u>\$5,932</u> <u>\$6,030</u>	<u>\$6,530</u> <u>\$6,644</u>	<u>\$7,130</u> <u>\$7,255</u>	\$6.20	\$6.45	\$6.70
AA	<u>\$1,785</u> <u>\$1,795</u>	<u>\$2,402</u> <u>\$2,424</u>	<u>\$3,017</u> <u>\$3,054</u>	<u>\$3,633</u> <u>\$3,683</u>	<u>\$4,250</u> <u>\$4,311</u>	<u>\$4,865</u> <u>\$4,942</u>	<u>\$5,482</u> <u>\$5,571</u>	<u>\$6,098</u> <u>\$6,199</u>	<u>\$6,713</u> <u>\$6,830</u>	<u>\$7,330</u> <u>\$7,458</u>	\$6.45	\$6.70	\$6.95
BB	<u>\$1,834</u> <u>\$1,844</u>	<u>\$2,467</u> <u>\$2,490</u>	<u>\$3,099</u> <u>\$3,137</u>	<u>\$3,732</u> <u>\$3,783</u>	<u>\$4,366</u> <u>\$4,429</u>	<u>\$4,997</u> <u>\$5,077</u>	<u>\$5,631</u> <u>\$5,722</u>	<u>\$6,264</u> <u>\$6,368</u>	<u>\$6,896</u> <u>\$7,016</u>	<u>\$7,530</u> <u>\$7,662</u>	\$6.70	\$6.95	\$7.20

(2) To use the chart:

- (1) 1. Find the family size used in determining income eligibility for service.
- (2) 2. Move across the monthly income table to the column headed by that number. (See ~~subparagraph (5)~~ paragraph “5” if the family has more than ten members.)

~~(3)~~ 3. Move down the column for the applicable family size to the highest figure that is equal to or less than the family's gross monthly income. Income at or above that amount (but less than the amount in the next row) corresponds to the fees in the last three columns of that row.

~~(4)~~ 4. Choose the fee that corresponds to the number of children in the family who receive child care assistance.

~~(5)~~ 5. When a family has more than ten members, determine the income level by multiplying the figures in the four-member column for the rows closest to the family's income level by 0.03. Round the numbers to the nearest dollar and multiply by the number of family members in excess of ten. Add the results to the amounts in the ten-member column to determine the threshold amounts.

(3) EXAMPLES:

1. to 3. No change.

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